

D&H show business

S. Robert

2:25 PM)

Powell <srp18407@gmail.com>

to Donald Law, Phoenix.AZ

02-22-2015

Don:

Thanks for your kind words (on the Society's answering machine) about the Powell/Lockman interview on PCN.

I've started the process of taking the D&H story to a higher level.

Attached is a file about Brian Lockman. Also attached is a copy of an email that I sent him yesterday.

Brian Lockman is a major figure in the professional media realm in America. He could be the contact that we're looking for.

Brian Lockman is an amazing guy. He enjoyed our interview as much as I did. At the conclusion of the taping, he said: "Robert, that was wonderful. I've been doing *PA Books* for fifteen years, and I have never before asked one of my guests to sign a copy of their book for me, but I would like you to sign your D&H books for me."

"With the greatest of pleasure," said I.

And so the process of taking the D&H story to a higher level has begun. The sky's the limit.

Best,

Robert

Re: D&H show business

Don Law

11:59 AM, 02-23-2015)

Robert, thanks so much for the e mail on the up date! Hooray for the D & H!! One step at a time and you are on the way! The Bio on Brian Lockman was very interesting! We will be keeping our fingers crossed that he will be able to bring to light, to the proper individuals and or organizations, enough

information to gain their interest in order for you to get a foot in the door. I KNOW that if this happens only good will come from it! This story needs to be told to a national audience and you are the only one who has the knowledge and expertise to do it! Please keep me up dated on any progress being made! Stay warm my friend!! Don

D. Law

Interesting e-mail from PCN



S. Robert Powell <srp18407@gmail.com>

6:24 PM (2 minutes ago)

02-23-2015

Don:

Attached is an interesting e-mail that I received today from a PCN producer in Pittsburgh. It surely must be a consequence of my e-mail to Brian Lockman of yesterday.

It's a great opportunity. A professionally produced (by PCN) film about the D&H. Such a film would be the perfect product to be used to introduce the D&H to the History channel or the Discovery channel or Ken Burns.

On with the show.

Robert

PCN It's History! tour of the Delaware & Hudson Canal Railroad

On Mon, Feb 23, 2015 at 1:26 PM, Brian
McCarty <brianmccarty@pcntv.com> wrote:
Mr. Robert Powell,

Hello, my name is Brian McCarty, I am a producer with PCN, the Pennsylvania Cable Network. Recently, you appeared on our book show and spoke with our host Brian Lockman and producer Francine Schertzer about a possible touring of the canals and railroads in the area of the Delaware & Hudson Canal Co Railroad. Or we could look at the possibility of doing a tour in conjunction with the Carbon County Historical Society. I produce a show called It's History! that tours the museums and historical sites of the commonwealth. I would be very interested in pursuing this project, if you have a similar interest in such a project, please let me know and we can begin to plan the tour.

Regards,

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02-23-2015

Brian:

We would be very pleased to work with you on a show about the Delaware and Hudson Canal Company's Gravity Railroad and Canal. There are three Historical Societies within a 20-mile radius of Carbondale that have good collections of D&H materials and those collections (in one of which there is an actual 19th century Gravity Railroad passenger car in very good condition), plus interviews with their curators, could become the basis of a very interesting "It's History" show. In addition, there are several D&H Canal sites that could be visited, including a wire suspension aqueduct over the Delaware River that was built by John Roebling in the 1840s.

The Delaware and Hudson Canal Company was established in 1823 to mine the anthracite coal resources in the Lackawanna and Wyoming Valleys of Pennsylvania and to market that coal in New York City and throughout the Eastern seaboard. That anthracite coal, which was shipped to market through the astonishing transportation system created by the D&H, was the

fuel that made possible the industrial revolution in America. The story of the D&H is an important story in the history of America.

Sincerely,

S. Robert Powell
Carbondale Historical Society
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Good news!

D Law

7:16 PM, 02-23-15 (16
hours ago)

Robert, all I can say is WOW! I had hopes you would hear something in the weeks to come but this is remarkable, incredible, etc.! I am excited for you, the Historical Society and most of all the D & H. I am sure John B. will be equally excited. Please keep me in the loop. Don

D&H / Powell interview on PA Books

On Wed, Feb 25, 2015 at 10:55 AM, Brian Lockman <brianlockman@pcntv.com> wrote:

Robert:

Thanks for the email. I'm glad you had a good response to the program. I'm serious about having you back when the rest of the books come out.

Sorry I can't be any help with the documentary side of things. It's really out of my area of expertise. I can only suggest WVIA or the PA Historical and Museum Commission. Good luck.

Brian.

**S. Robert
Powell** <srp18407@gmail.com>

12:13 PM, 02-25-
2015

to Brian

Thanks.

The next five volumes in the D&H series (Volumes VI through X) will be published on October 9, 2015. I'll keep you posted.

A return visit to PCN/Harrisburg would be very nice.

SRP

S. ROBERT POWELL <SRP18407@GMAIL.COM>

12:54 PM (0 minutes ago)

to Donald Law

02-25-2015

Don:

Given below are the email message that I received from Brian Lockman this morning and my response of a few minutes ago to him.

Interesting, and very good, news, if I'm interpreting correctly Brian Lockman's email to me of this morning:

Brian McCarty, the PCN producer and Pittsburgh Bureau Chief of PCN, who contacted me yesterday about producing a film on the D&H did so on his own accord. His contacting me was an independent act of his part, an act not prompted by Brian Lockman.

I think that's a good sign. McCarty the producer, without having seen the DVDs (as Lockman has) apparently came to the conclusion, based on the interview (Powell/Lockman), which he watched without

anyone's telling him to watch it, that the D&H would be a good subject for a documentary and contacted me.

It pleases me very much that Brian Lockman said in his email to me of this morning: "I'm serious about having you back when the rest of the books come out." As I see it, those 9 million viewers of PCN in Pennsylvania need to hear more from SRP about the D&H.

Received yesterday an interesting "review" on the interview from a retired U. S. Army Sergeant Major (George M. Homberg) who said: "Watched your interview on [PCN.TV](#) about the Gravity Railroad, a fascinating subject that I knew nothing about. Enjoyed it very much. Watched it again on the following day on [PCN.TV](#). This summer I will visit your history museum and get a set of your DVDs for my history memorabilia and book collection."

Also received in the mail yesterday from PCB a DVD copy of the interview. With any luck, I should be able to make copies of it.

Robert

OUTSTANDING!!

2:05 PM, 02-25-15)

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to me

Robert, OUTSTANDING!! So very interesting that Brian Lockman did not make an inquiry but it was a spontaneous inquiry from Brian McCarty having viewed the Powell/Lockman interview. Also the "review" by the Sgt. Major. Your ability to tell the story in a way that leaves one wanting to know and learn more is exceptional! This is all such good news! It is all so long overdue! It's like bringing the D & H back to life over a century and half of being asleep. Keep the good news coming!! Don
